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Biondi et al.

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TITLE:

A SYSTEM FOR AUTOMATICALLY WEANING A PATIENT FROM A

VENTILATOR, AND METHOD THEREOF

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I, James W. Biondi, M.D., state that I am authorized to sign on behalf of the Cardiopulmonary Corporation, identified below as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified patent application, U.S. Application Serial No. 10/716,896. I have reviewed all the evidentiary documents referred to in the instant Terminal Disclaimer and certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, title to the above-identified application is in the name of Cardiopulmonary Corporation.

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